



IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Kindly amend the Specification as follows (marked-up version in Appendix):

✓ Replace the paragraph at Page 1, line 4, with the following:

β₁ [-The invention concerns a vibrating aggregate.]--

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✓ Replace the paragraph at Page 3, lines 2-4, with the following:

β₂ --In a vibrating aggregate according to the invention the joint between the shaft sections is rigid and without a clearance, and it transmits not only torque movement but also bending moment.--.

Replace the paragraph at Page 3, lines 28-29, with the following:

β₃ --Figure 4a is a schematic side view of a joint between shaft sections according to an embodiment of the present invention, and Figure 4b is an end view of a joint portion of a shaft section of Fig. 4a;

Figure 5a is a schematic side view of a joint between shaft sections according to an embodiment of the present invention, and Figure 5b is an end view of a joint portion of a shaft section of Fig. 5a;

Figure 6a is a schematic side view of a joint between shaft sections according to an embodiment of the present invention, and Figure 6b is an end view of the shaft section of Fig. 6a;

Figure 7 is a schematic side view of a flanged joint between shaft sections according to an embodiment of the present invention.--.